BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL BEN F. YOUNG, JR.



Commander, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps(AFROTC), Maxwell Air Force Base, AL. Colonel Young is the national commander of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. He is responsible for recruiting and overseeing the preparation of more than 18,000 officer candidates through a comprehensive college program at 144 host universities and over 1,000 cross-town universities.

Colonel Young is a native of Albany, Georgia, and entered the Air Force in 1976 as a distinguished graduate from AFROTC Detachment 172. He is a command pilot with more than 4,000 flying hours primarily in airlift aircraft.

EDUCATION:

1976 BBA business administration and management, Valdosta State College, GA.

1983 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL.

1987 Airlift Operations School, Scott AFB, IL.

1991 MS public administration, Central Michigan University, Mt Pleasant, Ml.

1995 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.

ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. March 1977 March 1978, student, undergraduate pilot training, Williams Air Force Base, AZ
- 2. April 1978 July 1978, student, C-141 initial qualification training, Altus Air Force Base. OK
- 3. July 1978 July 1982, C-141 A/B pilot, 15th Military Airlift Squadron, 63rd Military Airlift Wing, Norton Air Force Base, CA.
- 4. July 1982 September 1985, Chief, C-141 test branch, USAF Airlift Center, Pope Air Force Base, NC
- 5. September 1985 April 1989, C-141 evaluator pilot, assistant operations officer, and wing tactics officer, 41st and 17th Military Airlift Squadrons, 437th Military Airlift Wing, Charleston Air Force Base, SC
- 6. April 1989 June 1990, Aide-de-camp to General Larry D. Welch, CSAF, HQ USAF, Pentagon, Washington D.C.

- 7. July 1990 June 1991, C-141/C-17 program element monitor, Airlift and Rescue Forces, HQ USAF/XOOTA, Pentagon, Washington D.C.
- 8. June 1991 April 1993, Plans and programs staff officer (ECJ5), HQ U.S. European Command, Stuttgart, Germany
- 9. April 1993 June 1994 Commander, 58th/76th Airlift Squadron, 86th Wing, Ramstein Air Base, Germany
- 10. August 1994 June 1995, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 11. July 1995 July 1997, Commander, AFROTC Detachment 432, and professor of Aerospace Studies, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS.
- 12. July 1997 June 1999, Commander, 375th Support Group, Scott Air Force Base, IL.
- 13. June 1999 June 2001, Vice Commander, 89th Airlift Wing, Andrews Air Force Base, MD.
- 14. June 2001- December 2002, Air Mobility Command Chair to Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
- 15. December 2002 June 2005, Vice-Commandant, Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL.
- 16. June 2005 February 2006, Commander, AFROTC Southeast Region, Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 17. February 2006-Present, Deputy Commander, AFROTC, Maxwell AFB, AL

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot Flight hours: More than 4,600

Aircraft flown: T-37, T-38, C-141 A & B, C-20, C-21, C-32, C-37, UH-1N

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit Defense Meritorious Service Medal Meritorious Service Medal Air Force Commendation Medal

DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant June 2, 1976
First Lieutenant December 2, 1978
Captain December 2, 1980
Major February 1, 1988
Lieutenant Colonel July 1, 1991
Colonel November 1, 1997

(Current as of March 2006)